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In re application of: K. Ahmavaara

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Group No. 2642

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For: Service Management

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CERTIFICATION, PETITION AND FEE

2. In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(d):
 - A. Accompanying this transmittal is a certification as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e).

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B. Applicant hereby petitions for the consideration of the accompanying information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97(d)(ii).

C. Applicant submits the petition fee set forth in § 1.17(i)(1). (\$130.00).

NOTE: "The petition should be directed to the Group Director of the examining group handling the application. The petition need do nothing more than request consideration of the information being submitted." Notice of April 20, 1992 (1138 O.G. 37-41, 40).

FEE DUE

3. Petition fee due (§ 1.17(i)(1)) \$130.00

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicant discloses herewith a reference of which he is aware, which he believes may be material to the examination of this application and which he may have a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.

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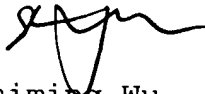
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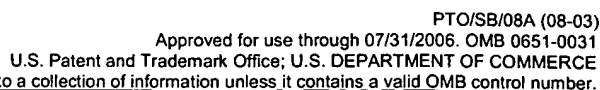
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